(800) 445-5211 Operation Game Thief LA Department of Wildlife and Fisheries:

> 1708-498 (788) St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office:

> 9159-846 (755) St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office:

> > (337) 228-1313 Indian Bayou Ranger Station:

ation/Recreation_Sites_Atchafalaya.asp (337) 585-0853 or http://www.mvn.usace.army.mil/recre-U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Project Office, Port Barre:

CONTACT INFORMATION

- Feeding wildlife including alligators
 - Baiting or hunting over bait property overnight
- Leaving tree stands and/or hunting blinds on the
- Construction or hunting from a permanent stand
- Unattended decoys in the field or on the water and/or noise-making devices
- Moving deer or hogs with organized drivers, standers flagging, bright eyes, etc.)
- Use or possession of any type of trail markers (paint,
 - Use of tree climbing spikes
- Using a tree that has existing nails, spikes or metal metal objects
- Climbing trees to hunt by driving nails, spikes or other
 - Spot-lighting Target practice and skeet shooting
 - Use of airboats
 - Overnight mooring of houseboats
 - Camping/overnight parking
 - ATVs and/or possession of firearms.
- The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while on

To:

PROHIBITED ON INDIAN BAYOU THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ARE

ings are to be reported to the Project Office immediately. seldom attack people unless provoked. All bear sightcaution, not fear, when dealing with bears. Black bears long before they are seen. Persons afield should use will usually notice humans and move out of our path counter one. Please do not feed or disturb them. Bears are not common on the project, but it is possible to en-The Louisiana Black Bear is a protected species. They

COLISIANA BLACK BEARS

follow the West Protection Levee Road south to Indian for sign), go past the Courtableau Control Structure and From U.S. Hwy. 190 exit at the Spillway Road (look (exit 115) and follow the west protection levee north. Bayou Area from Interstate 10, take the Henderson exit Hwy. 105 South. To access the west side of the Indian From U.S. Hwy. 190, exit at Krotz Springs and take LA Interstate 10, take the Butte La Rose exit (exit 121). To access the east side of the Indian Bayou Area from

north of Interstate 10 and just west of the Atchafalaya Bayou Area is 40 miles west of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Located in St. Landry and St. Martin parishes, the Indian

DKIAING DIKECLIONS

register to use a hunting blind, please contact the Project Pre-registration is required. For more information or to ties and access from 01 September through 28 February. For safety reasons, this area is closed for all other activireserved exclusively for wheelchair bound deer hunters. our hunters with disabilities, a 350-acre hunting area is In addition to the special seasons and trails available to

the designated ATV trails on the area map. Physically Challenged ATV users may not deviate from ATV trails and other ATV trails as indicated on the map.

of age. Those users may utilize Physically Challenged mit holders and persons 60 years or older with proof Challenged is restricted to physically challenged per-The use of ATVs on the trails designated as Physically

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. Challenged Hunting Permit issued by the Louisiana Physically challenged hunters must possess a Physically

supervise only one youth during this special hunt. voice contact with the youth at all times. An adult may hunting. The supervising adult shall maintain visual and a firearm. Youths may possess only one firearm while ment is waived for the youth. Adults may not possess ful completion of a hunter safety course, this requirecertification, a valid hunting license or proof of successaccompanying adult is in possession of a hunter safety companied by one adult 18 years of age or older. If the tion of a hunter safety course. Each youth must be achunter safety certification or proof of successful comple-Youths participating in youth hunts must possess a

CHALLENGED HUNTERS **KOUTH AND PHYSICALLY**

the end of each day. stands and blinds must be removed from the property at Only portable stands and blinds may be used. Deer

Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. is prohibited.

dental to any area hunt with weapons legal for that hunt. Beaver, feral hogs, nutria and coyote may be taken inci-

during open gun and muzzleloader hunts for deer and Horses are permitted throughout the property EXCEPT

above or around their blinds which is visible from 360 minimum of 400 square inches of "Hunter Orange" wear a "Hunter Orange" cap and must also display a required to wear 400 square inches of "Hunter Orange", hunters hunting from concealed ground blinds are still

WELCOME TO INDIAN BAYOU

District welcomes you to the Indian Bayou Area located

environmental protection in the Atchafalaya Basin. The

area encompasses 28,500 acres located in St. Landry and

St. Martin parishes and is located between Baton Rouge

and Lafayette, north of Interstate 10 and south of U.S.

Indian Bayou is located in the heart of the Atchafalaya Basin and offers some of the finest bottomland hardwood forest hunting in the south. It offers excellent small game

hunting including squirrel, rabbit, woodcock, snipe and

mourning dove. The prime location of the Atchafalaya

Basin in the center of the Mississippi Flyway produces

superb waterfowl hunting. The 2007-2008 season will

be the ninth consecutive year of management under an

It is your responsibility to know the hunting seasons and

regulations. Please read through this hunting pamphlet

prior to hunting for your safety and the safety of the

other project visitors. Project boundaries are marked

Hunter participation and wildlife harvest data are vital

Complete and accurate harvest information will aid in

future management decisions. Volunteers are needed

on the project. If you are interested in volunteering

please stop by or contact the Project Office for more

to the successful management of wildlife resources.

with yellow paint and yellow carsonite posts.

Hwy 190 west of the Atchafalaya River.

antler restriction for white-tailed deer.

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in south-central Louisiana. The Indian Bayou Area

was established in 1995 to provide public access and

season are encouraged to wear "Hunter Orange." Deer time while in the field. All persons afield during hunting Orange" cap. Hunter orange must be worn the entire rabbit and woodcock must wear a minimum of a "Hunter for deer. Hunters participating in the dog season for Orange" cap during open gun and muzzleloader hunts square inches of "Hunter Orange" and wear a "Hunter EXCEPT waterfowl hunters must display a total of 400 All hunters (including archers and small game hunters)

are located on area information bulletin boards. harvest card prior to leaving the property. Harvest cards and muzzleloader hunters are required to fill out a deer and Fisheries for your convenience. Successful archery metal validation tag and reported to La. Dept. of Wildlife either-sex gun hunts. Every checked deer will be given a falaya Protection Levee may also check a deer during the of these dates. A Park Ranger patrolling the West Atcha-Parish (see map for location) will be staffed during each out. The East side Ranger Station located in St. Landry during gun hunts are required to be physically checked Proper use of state tags is required. All deer harvested

tip is counted as a point but is not measured as a point. its length must exceed the length of its base. The beam as a point, a projection must be at least one inch long and ferred to as spikes (no minimum length). To be counted one side or a deer with unbranched antlers commonly rebuck shall be defined as deer with at least 4-points on Deer hunters are limited to one deer per day. A legal

Archery season is either-sex except during bucks-only

during either-sex gun hunts for deer. Migratory bird and small game hunting is prohibited

still-hunting, except as otherwise specified. areas as indicated on the area map. All hunting shall be ing is permitted area-wide except in designated closed only open seasons are those listed in this brochure. Hunt-State bag limits apply unless otherwise specified. The

SPECIFIC HUNTING REGULATIONS

Permits

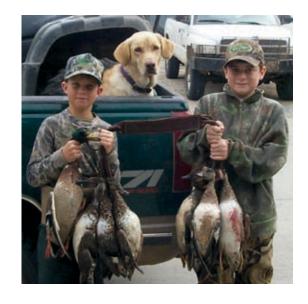
A 2007-2008 Indian Bayou Hunting Permit is required for all persons regardless of age. Permits must be signed prior to hunting any game and must be carried at all times while in the field. Your hunting permit acknowledges your understanding of area regulations. The cut-out on the cover of this brochure is your annual permit. Additional permits are available at the Project Office or on-line at http://www.mvn.usace.army.mil/ recreation/Recreation_Sites_Atchafalaya.asp. All persons 16 years or older are required to have a photo identification while in the field.

The possession of firearms, ammunition, loaded projectile firing devices, bows and arrows, crossbows, or other weapons are prohibited except during designated area hunts. Hunters must have firearms unloaded at all times while traveling within the area by motor vehicle, ATV, horse, bicycle and while in a vessel under mechanical power. Loaded weapons are not allowed within 100 feet of ATV trails, foot trails, roads and pipelines; or within 100 yards of designated parking areas. Loaded is defined as shells or cartridges in the gun's chamber and magazine, or caps on muzzleloaders.

Motorized vehicles and All Terrain Vehicles All motorized vehicles, including automobiles, ATVs and motorcycles are restricted to roads and trails that are designated on the area map. ATVs must be brought in to the area by vehicle or trailer, off loaded in parking areas and may only be operated on designated trails. Vehicles must park in designated parking areas. Blocking gates or roads with a vehicle or ATV is prohibited. Tractor implement tires with farm tread designs R1, R2 and R4, known as spade or lug grip types are prohibited on all vehicles and ATVs. ATV tires are restricted to those with a maximum one inch lug height. ATVs are not allowed off designated trails, NO EXCEPTIONS! Designated trails are open from 4:00 a.m. until two hours after sunset. Visitors using designated trails later than two hours after sunset are required to contact the project office to obtain a Special Use Permit.

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I have read, and understand the regulations governing the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Indian Bayou Area. I hereby forever release and hold harmless the United States of America from all liability due to death, injury, or damages arising from the exercise of this hunting permit and will indemnify and save harmless the United States of America from any and all costs, damages, settlements, or judgments arising from death, injury or damage to persons or property arising from the exercise of this hunting permit.

Signature (Permits are not transferable) - Valid only when signed

This serves as your annual permit.

2007-2008 Indian Bayou Hunting Permit

GENERAL REGULATIONS

Hunting regulations are designed to protect visitors as well as wildlife populations. The regulations below govern hunting on Indian Bayou, under the authority vested by Code of Federal Regulations Title 36 part 327. Hunting will be in accordance with applicable state regulations.

